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About this Release

This paper outlines the methodological issues relating to imputation for longitudinal household surveys. A brief review of the imputation methods adopted by major longitudinal surveys is reported. The main objective of this paper is to develop an appropriate imputation methodology for use in longitudinal surveys, by evaluating alternative imputation methods and to adopt the best method in the Household, Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia (HILDA) Survey.

This paper describes a methodological evaluation framework for assessing a good imputation method and presents a quantitative comparison of the performance of alternative imputation methods, using HILDA data.

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